Khas Kusunda and at Bata More in Jharia town with a capital outlay of Rs. 217.5 lakhs under Environmental Measures and Subsidence Control (EMSC) have already been completed.

(ii) 4 schemes for fire/subsidence control at Alkusa, Rajapur, South Lodna and Industry Collieries with a capital outlay of Rs. 1427.28 Lakhs under EMSC—all are under implementation.

(iii) 4 schemes for protection of railway lines/jores for fire/ subsidence control under Rehabilitation and Control of Fire and Subsidence (RCFS) with a capital outlay of Rs. 2560 Lakhs— all are under implementation.These schemes involve stablisation for Dhanbad-Patherdih and Adra-Gomoh railway lines as well as of Chatkari Jore.

(iv) One Demonstration Scheme has been sanctioned for shifting of people from the most endangered areas of BCCL under EMSC at an capital outlay of Rs. 33.88 crores (This is presently under revision to Rs. 61.09 crores). The scheme is under implementation.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Renewal of mining lease of M/s Mysore Minerals Ltd.

750. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Karnataka has recommended for renewal of mining lease in favour of M/s Mysore Minerals Ltd., in respect of reserve forest land for mining managanese in Shimoga, Kolar, Kanakpura areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the Centre's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir. As per provisions of Section 8 of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957, the power to grant renewal of mining leases in respect of mineral managanese ore is with the concerned State Government.